Inventory for FOIA 2014-0041-F

Records pertaining to the Fifth Meeting of the Gore-Chernomyrdin Commission held in June 1995 in Moscow

Extent
13 folders, approximately 2,042 pages and 55 photographs

Access
Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Gore Vice Presidential records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA)(44 USC 22, as amended) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)(5 USC 552, as amended) and therefore may be restricted in whole or in part in accordance with legal exemptions.

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Provenance
Official records of the Albert Gore, Jr. vice presidency are in the custody of the Presidential Materials Division in Washington, DC and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processed By
Staff Archivists, February 2015. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Related Collections
Scope and Content

The materials in this series are a selective, not necessarily all-inclusive, body of documents responsive to the topic of FOIA request 2014-0041-F.

This series contains records related to the fifth meeting of the Gore-Chernomyrdin Commission (GCC) held in June 1995 in Moscow. The Gore-Chernomyrdin Commission formally known as the U.S. – Russian Joint Commission on Economic and Technological Cooperation was a collaborative effort established by President Bill Clinton and Russian President Boris Yeltsin after their April 1993 summit meeting in Vancouver, Canada to increase cooperation in space, energy, business development, defense conversion, the environment, science and technology, health, and agriculture. Vice President Al Gore and Russian Prime Minister Victor Chernomyrdin were appointed and served as co-chairmen and the Commission derives its name from both individuals.

These materials consist of a trip book detailing Vice President Al Gore’s travel to Moscow, Russia from June 27–July 1, 1995, a schedule outlining the sequence of meeting events, and unclassified memoranda prepared by Leon Fuerth regarding GCC official and ceremonial events. There are remarks made by Vice President Gore at several events including press conferences, a reception held at the Spaso House, the dedication of the Elbe memorial plaque, and a dinner hosted by Prime Minister Chernomyrdin. This series also contains photographs taken by A. Kondratjev during the 1994-1995 official meetings of Vice President Gore and Prime Minister Chernomyrdin. These images include members of the GCC, Tipper Gore and Valentina Chernomyrdina. Additional materials consist of White House press releases which describe the progress and efforts of the Gore-Chernomyrdin Commission as well as reports and publications from the U.S. – Russia Business Development Committee (BDC), ECOS Journal, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Due to national security restrictions, the majority of this collection remains closed including memoranda of conversation (memcons), talking points, and committee reports and papers.

System of Arrangement

Records responsive to this FOIA request were found in the Gore Vice Presidential Records: White House Staff Member and Office Files.

Staff Member and Office Files are the textual records created and/or maintained by White House staff members within their individual offices. These files document all levels of administration activity.

Staff Member and Office Files are processed at the folder level, and the documents within are maintained in their original order. Since the files are processed at the folder level, individual documents contained within these folders may not be wholly responsive to the subject area of this FOIA request.

The following is a list of folders processed in response to FOIA 2014-0041-F:
Box 1

Gore Vice Presidential Records: White House Staff Member and Office Files
National Security Affairs
Gore-Chernomyrdin Commission Files
   June 27-July 1, 1995, The Vice President’s Trip to Moscow, Russia GCC-5: Meeting
   Papers [1 of 5] [1] [Box 033]
   June 27-July 1, 1995, The Vice President’s Trip to Moscow, Russia GCC-5: Meeting
   Papers [1 of 5] [2] [Box 033]
   June 27-July 1, 1995, The Vice President’s Trip to Moscow, Russia GCC-5: Meeting
   Papers [1 of 5] [3] [Box 033]
   June 27-July 1, 1995, The Vice President’s Trip to Moscow, Russia GCC-5: Offline Issues
   [2 of 5] [1] [Box 033]
   June 27-July 1, 1995, The Vice President’s Trip to Moscow, Russia GCC-5: Offline Issues
   [2 of 5] [2] [Box 033]

Box 2

Gore Vice Presidential Records: White House Staff Member and Office Files
National Security Affairs
Gore-Chernomyrdin Commission Files
   June 27-July 1, 1995, The Vice President’s Trip to Moscow, Russia GCC-5: Press
   Releases [3 of 5] [Box 034]
   June 27-July 1, 1995, The Vice President’s Trip to Moscow, Russia GCC-5:
   Miscellaneous [4 of 5] [1] [Box 034]
   June 27-July 1, 1995, The Vice President’s Trip to Moscow, Russia GCC-5:
   Miscellaneous [4 of 5] [2] [Box 034]
   June 27-July 1, 1995, The Vice President’s Trip to Moscow, Russia GCC-5:
   Miscellaneous [4 of 5] [3] [Box 034]

Box 3

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Gore-Chernomyrdin Commission Files
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